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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

MARIA SOSA, L.S. by and through  
guardian *ad litem* MARIA SOSA, M.S.  
by and through guardian *ad litem*  
JENNIFER LOPEZ, individually and as  
successors-in-interest to Maximiliano  
Sosa,

Plaintiff,

v.

CITY OF FRESNO and DOES 1–5,

Defendants.

Case No.: 1:24-cv-01039-EPG

**NOTICE OF RELATED CASE**

[Local Rule 123]

**TO THIS HONORABLE COURT AND ALL PARTIES AND THEIR  
ATTORNEYS OF RECORD, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT**, pursuant to  
Local Rule 123, Plaintiffs hereby give notice of the following related case, *Martha  
Zepeda Olivares, et al. v. City of Fresno, et al.*, Case No. 1:23-cv-01575, which was

1 filed on November 7, 2023 (hereinafter, "the related matter"). The related matter is  
2 pending in this District Court before the Honorable Jennifer L. Thurston.

3 Both cases fundamentally address the same events and raise similar questions  
4 regarding the use of excessive force and the policies of the City of Fresno.

5 The present action, filed by Maria Sosa, the decedent's wife, and her two  
6 minor children, includes claims for excessive force under the Fourth Amendment,  
7 denial of medical care, interference with familial relationship, municipal liability,  
8 Americans with Disabilities Act violations, and various state law claims including  
9 battery, negligence, and violation of the Bane Act.

10 The related case, filed by Martha Zepeda Olivares (decedent's mother) and  
11 Maximiliano Sosa, Sr. (decedent's father), includes claims for Fourth Amendment  
12 violations, deprivation of familial relationship under the Fourteenth Amendment,  
13 and municipal liability.

14 Despite the slight differences in the specific causes of action and the parties  
15 involved, both cases stem from the same incident, involve the same primary  
16 defendants, and will likely involve similar evidence and witnesses. Assignment to  
17 the same Judge and/or Magistrate Judge would likely effect a substantial savings of  
18 judicial effort and prevent duplication of labor, as the same or similar factual and  
19 legal issues will need to be addressed in both cases.

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21 DATED: September 4, 2024 /s/ Dale K. Galipo

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